

| 1     | 2           | 3  | 4 | 5 |
|-------|-------------|----|---|---|
| 32.   | Muzaffarpur | 5  | - | - |
| 33.   | Siwan       | 2  | - | - |
| 34.   | Godda       | 1  | - | - |
| 35.   | Giridih     | 1  | - | - |
| 36.   | Jamui       | 1  | - | - |
| 37.   | Bhabhua     | 1  | - | - |
| 38.   | Saharsa     | 2  | - | - |
| 39.   | Supaul      | 1  | - | - |
| 40.   | Araria      | 1  | - | - |
| 41.   | Samastipur  | 3  | - | - |
| 42.   | Darbhanga   | 1  | - | - |
| 43.   | Purnea      | 1  | - | - |
| 44.   | Madhubani   | 1  | - | - |
| 45.   | Khagria     | 2  | - | - |
| Total |             | 90 | - | - |

[English]

**Telephone Exchanges in Assam**

2400. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision was taken in the last annual report for setting up of telephone exchanges in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of telephone exchanges set up so far and the number of exchanges likely to be set up in the State during 1996-97, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present 285 telephone exchanges are functioning in the state of Assam. 10 New Telephone exchanges have been tentatively planned to be opened during 1996-97 at the following locations subject to availability of minimum required registered demand and infrastructure.

1. Kotamoni Bazar (Commissioned)
2. Rangachacua (Commissioned)
3. Singri
4. Deomornoigaon
5. Jhaklabanda
6. Bebejia
7. Jajuli
8. Ghilamara
9. Manikpur
10. Neepco Kathalguri

[Translation]

**Allocation for Upliftment of Scheduled Tribes**

2401. SHRI LALIT ORAON : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state the amount allocated for the implementation of welfare scheme for the upliftment of Scheduled Tribes in Bihar during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : The amount allocated by the Ministry of Welfare for the implementation of Welfare schemes for the upliftment of Scheduled Tribes in Bihar during each of the last three years is as under :

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Year    | Amount allocated |
|---------|------------------|
| 1993-94 | 4487.06          |
| 1994-95 | 2746.75          |
| 1995-96 | 4967.11          |

[English]

**Time allotted to Nepali Programme**

2402. SHRI R.B. RAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the time allotted to each day to Nepali programmes on Calcutta Doordarshan;

(b) whether the Government have received representation for increase in time; and

(c) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) 10 minutes per day for four days in a week.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

**Electronic Exchanges in A.P.**

2403. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of electronic as well as electro-mechanical telephone exchanges functioning in Andhra Pradesh, as on date, district-wise; and

(b) the number of such new exchanges, proposed to be set up in the State, district-wise, during 1996-97 and 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) There are 1683 nos. of electronic

exchanges and 375 electro-mechanical exchanges in Andhra Pradesh Circle as per enclosed.

(b) Number of new exchanges proposed to be set up in the State, district-wise, during 1996-97 are furnished below :

| S.No.            | Name of District | No. of New exchanges proposed. |
|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.               | Hyderabad        | 17                             |
| 2.               | Rangareddy       | 2                              |
| 3.               | Guntur           | 1                              |
| 4.               | Krishna          | 1                              |
| 5.               | Nellore          | 1                              |
| 6.               | Visakhapatnam    | 1                              |
| Total (in State) |                  | 23                             |

The programme for 1997-98 is yet to be formulated.

#### STATEMENT

*Andhra Pradesh Telecom.*

*Number of Telephone Exchanges Operating as on 30.6.1996.*

| S. No. | District Name | Number of Electronic Exchanges | Number of Electro-mechanical Exchanges |
|--------|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1      | 2             | 3                              | 4                                      |
| 1.     | Adilabad      | 49                             | 0                                      |
| 2.     | Ananthapur    | 81                             | 51                                     |
| 3.     | Chittoor      | 101                            | 34                                     |
| 4.     | Cuddapah      | 71                             | 14                                     |
| 5.     | East Godavari | 107                            | 6                                      |
| 6.     | Guntur        | 113                            | 5                                      |
| 7.     | Hyderabad     | 43                             | 6                                      |
| 8.     | Karimnagar    | 62                             | 40                                     |
| 9.     | Khammam       | 77                             | 0                                      |
| 10.    | Krishna       | 114                            | 10                                     |
| 11.    | Kurnool       | 102                            | 17                                     |
| 12.    | Mahbubnagar   | 71                             | 32                                     |
| 13.    | Medak         | 60                             | 29                                     |
| 14.    | Nalgonda      | 65                             | 10                                     |
| 15.    | Nellore       | 69                             | 24                                     |
| 16.    | Nizamabad     | 45                             | 31                                     |
| 17.    | Prakasam      | 57                             | 22                                     |
| 18.    | Rangareddy    | 68                             | 0                                      |
| 19.    | Srikakulam    | 50                             | 0                                      |
| 20.    | Visakhapatnam | 55                             | 11                                     |

| 1     | 2             | 3    | 4   |
|-------|---------------|------|-----|
| 21.   | Vizianagaram  | 44   | 1   |
| 22.   | Warangal      | 45   | 28  |
| 23.   | West Godavari | 134  | 4   |
| Total |               | 1683 | 375 |

#### Recommendations made by the State Welfare Ministers

2404. SHRI K.S.R. MURTHY : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the recommendations made by the State Welfare Ministers for the welfare of minorities since January 1993 till date;

(b) the recommendations out of them implemented so far; and

(c) the reasons for not implementing the rest recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b). As given in the statement attached.

(c) Does not arise.

#### STATEMENT

*Recommendations made by State Welfare Ministers who met on 2-3, Feb., 1996.*

| Brief details of Recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                | Action taken for implementation                                                                                                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2                                                                                                                                         |
| 1. Multi sectoral plans may be prepared for identified minorities concentration districts expeditiously.                                                                                                       | 1. The scheme of preparation of multi sectoral development plans for minorities concentration districts has been launched in March, 1996. |
| 2. To ensure the speedy payment of ex-gratia to the victims of communal riots, Distt. Collectors may be authorised to draw money from treasury under TR 27 to be recouped by appropriate budgetary allocation. | 2. Necessary guidelines have already been issued to States/UTs.                                                                           |
| 3. Steps may be taken for the effective                                                                                                                                                                        | 3. Steps are being taken to ensure the                                                                                                    |